



**PARKWISE COMMISSION  
BUSINESS DISTRICT ON-STREET  
PARKING SUBCOMMITTEE**  
110 East Pennington Street, Ste. 150  
Tucson, Arizona 85701  
**May 11, 2016 Meeting Minutes**



1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:04 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Members Present

Jill Brammer  
Barbara Brookhart  
Nicole Flowers  
Peter Hormel  
Richard Oseran  
Rick Stertz  
Adam Weinstein

Members Absent

Jane McCollum

Staff Present

Donovan Durband, Park Tucson Administrator  
Martha Encinas, Park Tucson Administrative Assistant

Guests Present

Sam Salzwedel, KVOA News-4

3. Call to Audience

None

4. Discussion of Committee Purpose, Scope, and Process

Permanent Substitutes for street parking (curbs extended, parking space permanently displaced) and Temporary Alternate Uses (parklet, platform with fencing for street dining, bicycle corrals) were discussed. Camila Bekat is currently working on the Public and Private Parklet TRE (Temporary Revocable Easement) Design Standards and Procedures for the City of Tucson.

Topics and issues discussed were as follows:

- TDOT/Park Tucson encourages stakeholder involvement.
- Park Tucson would like the subcommittee to consider the entire streetcar district and all commercial areas therein as the geographic scope of this effort. Committee agreed upon a 3-block limit from streetcar line.

- Availability and perception of availability of parking spaces is an important consideration
- Park Tucson has data on revenue, demand, and utilization of meters that can be presented in map form for the subcommittee to evaluate parking versus alternate uses.
- Park Tucson can develop a map that will indicate street-side uses: restaurants, bars, retail, office, etc. as reference material for the committee
- Retail appears not to be part of the scenario (display of merchandise)
- Retail users tend to prefer having more available street parking; restaurant/bar users value street parking as well but can capture additional value for themselves with additional tables in the public space (sidewalk or street)
- Street dining areas or parklets can create a perception of lively street activity when the business is open. When the business is closed, it's a dead space. Parking space out of service with no offsetting activity.
- Transfer of TRE to new ownership should not be automatic.
- Request that Camila Bekat (and/or colleagues) give the subcommittee a report on TRE policy/procedures as they currently stand.

The subcommittee determined that the immediate focus should be the following:

1. Park Tucson to generate maps of each business district with existing parking space counts by block-face and relative parking demand.
2. Camila Bekat and/or colleagues should present to the subcommittee the current status of the TRE policy/design guidelines
3. The subcommittee will generate questions and issues to consider in developing criteria.

5. Future Agenda Items

**No Action.**

6. Adjournment – 4:07 p.m.